# **Bloomington MAC Meeting**

# **Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, February 7, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

#### **Council Members Present**

Lynda Gonzalez Adrianne McDaniels Eric Scott
Mike Koss Juanita Ruiz Gregory Ware

Council Member Adrianne McDaniels introduced himself as the new MAC member.

#### Minutes:

Council Member Koss moved to approve minutes of the previous meeting as written. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and all were in favor. The minutes were approved as written.

# Special Presentation 1: San Bernardino County Museums Kathleen Springer, Senior Curator of Geological Sciences

The San Bernardino County Museum is located at 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, California. The Museum was originally founded in the early 1950's in Bloomington and later moved to its current site in Redlands. The Museum houses more than 2 million objects pertaining to History and Natural History. It is one of the largest Museums in southern California.

The Museum is building a new Hall of Geological Wonders. This project will add 12,000 square feet of space with 9,000 square feet devoted to exhibits. Along with the addition, the Museum will drastically renovate the entire Museum Campus to dedicate more space for exhibition and Museum programming.

The Hall of Geological Wonders will highlight some of the areas unique topographic features through interactive educational programs.

The County is expecting to break ground on the project this spring. It is anticipated that the entire process will take 15 to 17 months for completion.

# STAFF REPORTS

# Field Representative – Amber Tiedgen

- Notice: A small Hazmat spill occurred on 02/07/06 at Roadway. It was confined to one dock and no evacuations were required.
- There will be another opportunity for organizations to apply for the upcoming Bloomington Bed Tax grant.
  - Jeff Rigney, County Special Districts: Most of the Bed Tax money has been distributed to the community through the grant program. If any organization was awarded a grant but has not yet received their funding/reimbursement they can contact the Special Districts office.
  - Introduction of new Special Districts Manager for the Bloomington area, Mr. Tim Millington. Mr. Millington has extensive experience working at the county level

- with the Regional Parks Department. Mr. Millington can be reached at County Special Districts at (909) 387-5277.
- The County Superintendent of Schools has reached an agreement with Special Districts to repay \$45,000 in arrears for past usage of facilities at Ayala Park.

# Sheriff's Report – Lt. Stephen Kovensky

- The Fontana Sheriff's station has opened 8 new positions, 5 of which have been filled. They anticipate the remaining 3 positions to be filled by April. There are currently 33 Deputies, 5 Detectives, 6 Sergeants, 1 Lieutenant and a Captain assigned to the station.
- The current schedule places Deputies on overlapping shifts from 3-5 p.m. and 9 p.m. 1 a.m. These overlapping shifts allow for sufficient coverage during peak hours.
- The Sheriff's Dept. is always seeking active volunteers to assist in various duties in and around the station. The Sheriff's volunteer patrol program trains citizens in basic procedures so they can serve as members of the citizen patrol program. Interested parties can contact the Fontana Sheriff's Station at (909) 356-6767.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Action Items

# **Bloomington Bed Tax Grant Applications**

Councilmember Ware moved that the MAC allow organizations that did not submit their applications on time to present their applications to the MAC. The motion was seconded. The motion failed on a vote of 3-2 with Council Member Ruiz abstaining.

The MAC then reviewed the following applications for recommendation to the Supervisor:

- 1. *Bloomington Boosters*: \$400 to fund traffic control for the Annual Boosters Christmas Parade. Additional \$2000 requested to support the Bloomington Library.
- 2. Bloomington Woman's Club: \$650 to purchase items for meetings coffee pot, coffee, seasonal decorations and lightweight electrical broom.
- 3. San Bernardino Valley Riders: \$1000 to purchase a sound system for SBVR events
- 4. Bloomington Little League: \$1000 to offset operational expenses related to usage at Kessler Park.
- 5. *Bloomington Boosters*: \$1000 to purchase 2 stone benches and one waste receptacle to place on the corner of Cedar and Slover.

Council Member Koss moved that the MAC approve recommendation of all of the applications without voting on each item. There was no second.

The MAC then proceeded to vote on each application.

- 1. Bloomington Boosters motion to recommend application by Council Member Ware, seconded by Council Member McDaniels, all were in favor.
- 2. Bloomington Woman's Club motion to recommend application by Council Member McDaniels, seconded by Council Member Koss, all were in favor.
- 3. SBVR motion to recommend application by Council Member Ruiz, seconded by Council Member Koss, all were in favor.
- 4. Bloomington Little League motion to recommend application by Council Member Koss, seconded by Council Member McDaniels, all were in favor.

5. Bloomington Boosters – motion to recommend application by Council Member Koss, seconded by Council Member McDaniels, all were in favor

# Non-Action Items

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Action Items

Items to be placed on the March 7<sup>th</sup> Agenda:

- a) Council Member Ware requested that the MAC begin discussions on a budget to allocate general fund monies to the Bloomington Boosters.
- b) Council Member Ware also requested that the MAC reevaluate the Bed Tax Grant guidelines to emphasize tourism as a prerequisite.
- c) MAC Chair Gonzalez requested that Special Districts report their findings regarding past unpaid Bed Tax Grant awards.
- d) Council Member Ware requested that a representative from the Colton Joint Unified School District give a presentation and respond to community questions.

# Non-Action Items

# **Member Reports**

Juanita Ruiz

No Report

# Adrianne McDaniels

Council Member McDaniels stated that he is looking forward to serving on the MAC and that he is interested in seeing Bloomington grow. He would like to see increased support of local agencies and law enforcement.

#### Mike Koss

Council Member Koss stated that he would like to see the no parking zone extended along Orchard to Orange in order to eliminate traffic congestion.

#### Lynda Gonzalez

MAC Chair Gonzalez stated that illegal car sales are occurring at the swap meet. She also requested that the MAC adjourn in the memory of Coretta Scott King.

#### **Gregory Ware**

Council Member Ware encouraged citizens to participate in the volunteer citizens patrol program with the Sheriff's Department. Renovation of the Bloomington High girl's softball field is complete. The bid process for the swimming pool has begun.

#### Eric Scott

No Report.

# Betty Gosney

Absent

#### **Public Comments**

Members of the audience are asked to pick up a request to address the MAC from the Council Secretary. There is a limit of three minutes speaking per request. The following speakers were given time to speak.

#### West Valley Water District Announcement

West Valley Water District holds an annual calendar contest. Each year they invite students from the area to submit drawings for the calendar. Students selected win various awards and prizes. Bloomington students are encouraged to participate.

# Elfrieda Osvold

Ms. Osvold is a former resident of Bloomington whose property was annexed to the City of Rialto in 1984. Ms. Osvold is dissatisfied with the service she has received as a resident of Rialto. She encouraged Bloomington residents to oppose annexation to Rialto and/or Fontana.

#### Dave Jayne

April 29 the San Bernardino Valley Riders will have an event.

#### Alfredo Troy – Jr. Charro Association

Mr. Troy is having problem with neighboring residents. Some of their construction has caused flooding around El Rivino Rd. He would also like to see more street signs in his area to deter speeding.

# Anita Berger

Ms. Berger did not agree with information presented in a recent press release issued by the office of Supervisor Josie Gonzales. Ms. Berger stated she was a member of the recall committee.

# Pam Geil

Ms. Geil is a photographer for Fox 11 television station. She encouraged residents to contact her regarding potential stories in the Bloomington area. She would also like to see more strict use of County parks funding.

#### Virginia Geil

Ms. Geil would like to see the Bloomington library receive more funding from other sources then the tourism grant. She invited the community to support and participate in the monthly car cruise at the Bloomington Garage.

# Jon Swel

Mr. Swel was concerned with the mobile home park he resides in. He is hoping to find more information regarding its possible closure and asking the public for help to identify a information circulated in a petition several months ago.

# Eric Davenport – Bloomington Incorporation Committee

On Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> the BIC's proposal will be reviewed at the LAFCO meeting. Mr. Davenport invited everyone to attend the meeting and voice his or her opinion. The meeting will be held at 9 a.m. at 175 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., San Bernardino. Please contact Eric Davenport with any questions: 909-877-8468.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m. to the next MAC meeting scheduled for March 7, 2006 at 7 p.m.

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